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1. (Amended) A compound 8 to 50 nucleobases in length targeted to a nucleic acid molecule encoding human collapsin response mediator protein 2 (SEQ ID NO:3), wherein said compound specifically hybridizes with said nucleic acid molecule encoding human collapsin response mediator protein 2 and inhibits the expression of human collapsin response mediator protein 2.

REMARKS

This preliminary amendment is being filed in response to a telephone interview with Examiner Schultz on February 20, 2003. Claim 3 has been canceled. Claim 1 has been amended to incorporate the SEQ ID NO. of the target sequence. This amendment to the claim is based on teachings throughout the specification as filed. No new matter has been added by this amendment.

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Attached hereto is a marked up version of the changes made to the claims by the current amendment. The attached page is captioned "VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE."

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In the claims:

Claim 3 has been canceled.

Claim 1 has been amended as follows:

1. (Amended) A compound 8 to 50 nucleobases in length targeted to a nucleic acid molecule encoding numan collapsin response mediator protein 2 (SEO ID NO:3), wherein said compound specifically hybridizes with said nucleic acid molecule encoding human collapsin response mediator protein 2 and inhibits the expression of human collapsin response mediator protein 2.